

## South Yardley Housing Liaison Board

**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15 May 2019  
at Steel Grove Community Room, 2 Steel Grove, B25 8BA**

### **Present**

John Harrison- Chair  
Lee Parkinson - HLB  
Pat Sheridan MBE –HLB  
Cynthia Conway – HLB  
Ray Barrow - HLB  
Yasmin Samaraweera HLB  
Sylva Sadler – HLB  
John McLaren – HLB  
Myles Scullion - HLB  
Zafer Iqbal - Councillor  
Mandy Williams– TPO  
Derek Fellows - HO

### **1 Welcome, Introductions**

John (JH) welcomed all to the meeting.

### **2 Apologies**

Barbara Benson – HLB  
Carl McCooty - Vice Chair  
Jenny Poole - Wates

Mandy advised that she has received an email from Ann McCormick who has tendered her resignation which the chair accepted and thanked for her services to the board.

### **3. Minutes of last meeting**

Agreed

<p>4.</p>	<p><b><u>Matters Arising</u></b></p> <p>John (JH) roof fans at Bakeman House need update – Derek to email Jenny – Derek to email Capital Investment – <b>ON-GOING – Derek to email again.</b></p> <p>Barbara mentioned the manhole cover on the footpath outside 20 Kestrel Avenue – Derek to report <b>to chase</b></p>
<p>5.</p>	<p><b><u>Police Report</u></b></p> <p>No-one in attendance and no update received</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p><b><u>Local News and Events Update</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Iqbal said he has just come from a meeting with Connecting Communities regarding loneliness/isolation and that there is funding available for Yardley and he asked if anyone knows of anyone that may benefit from this funding to let him know. Also he asked if the board would like to invite Nicola Toms to one of our HLB Meetings and the board agreed</p> <p>A new PCSO has started in the ward – called Alex.</p> <p>Alex and Councillor Iqbal have carried out walkabouts every 2 weeks and identified issues.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the guy living in the tent on Coventry Road and begging in general</p> <p>Cllr Iqbal said he had a meeting with the cabinet member and unions and Kings Road &amp; Tynedale Road had still not had their recycling collected. Cllr Iqbal also mentioned the rubbish on 334 Hobmoor Rd and bins not getting emptied this has now gone to the Chief Executive and bin men use key to get through the gates – he asked why can't the bins be relocated and was informed this is down to Waste Management.</p> <p>Cllr Iqbal commented on the rubbish at the back of Berkeley Rd and said he would speak to Jonjo Hegarty</p>

	<p>Ray mentioned that the recycling bins have not been emptied for a number of weeks and has chased this on a number of occasions – Councillor Iqbal to speak to Cabinet member for Waste Management.</p> <p>John (JM) said that the recycling bins at Wheeldon House have not been emptied due to the bins being put back in the wrong place and recycling has been put into the wrong bins.</p> <p>Discussion took place around grass cutting and this is now back in-house and has been reduced down to 10 cuts per year – Cllr Iqbal said he would speak to Mike Hinton to see if it can be increased back up to 12 cuts per year</p> <p>Cllr Iqbal said he is still trying to get a Friends Group set up for Pemberley Rd blocks and he is meeting with Jonjo Hegarty on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May</p>
7	<p><b><u>Wates</u></b></p> <p>No one in attendance.</p> <p>Yasmin asked if Wates fixed garden fencing as fencing has come down in one of the gardens – Yasmin to send address to Derek to chase up</p>
8.	<p><b><u>Housing Report - HLB Walkabout</u></b></p> <p>Walkabout from the 7 May was distributed and the next one is on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 11am meeting junction Rosedale Grove and Hob Moor Road</p>
9.	<p><b><u>Tenant Participation Officer Report</u></b></p> <p>AGM's have again been put on hold again. South Yardley to have the biannual report in June 2019</p> <p>Birmingham in Bloom forms were distributed to the group.</p> <p>Budgets have been received but just need to check on the number of properties.</p>

10. **Chairs Report and CHLB Update**

John (JH) asked the Board if they would agree for Lee to become a reserve representative in case Carl cannot make the meetings. All agreed for Lee to become a reserve for CHLB.

The last CHLB meeting was held on Thursday 28 March 2019 with the April meeting being cancelled.

The March CHLB newsletter was distributed to the group

The next meeting is on Thursday 30 May 2019

11 **HLB Projects and Budget**

Mandy asked about installing bollard outside garages at Wheeldon House and they would cost approximately £500 each – the group agreed to purchase these and to get a proper quote – they want the fold down ones with the key to lock them on the top – John (JMc) asked if one of the existing bollards can be pulled up – Derek to arrange a site meeting.

John (JH) asked for this to put back into the minutes - Need to add non-slip flooring for Bakeman House to project list – Derek to chase for quote. Awaiting budgets to be confirmed

**Agreed Projects**

Board agreed for £50 of plants for Wheeldon House and Kings Road Sheltered Scheme

**New Projects**

New carpet for 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Gosmoor House  
Longley Crescent Bin area for wheelie bins  
Lock to garage site rear of 150 Berkeley Road

Derek to request desk top quotes.

Kings Road Sheltered Scheme painting of trip rail and Community Project with Wates – Derek to email Jenny and ask and also request desk top quote

**12. Any Other Business**

Barbara mentioned garage no. 12 and 19 Kestrel Avenue has had the door damaged.

**POST MEETING NOTE:** Jobs raised to renew garage doors Job Reference Nos. 7234301/1 and 7234292/1

Yasmin asked if the blocks in Lowden Croft are to have door entry system – Derek explained that they are on a programme but due to the sprinkler installation there is a hold on these at the moment.

Yasmin mentioned the fence to the washing area of 34, 36, 38 + 40 Lowden Croft and asked that the latch on the gate to the washing area of 26, 28, 30 + 32 Lowden Croft - Derek to visit and raise necessary repairs

John (JMc) asked when were the sprinklers going to be done in Wheeldon House – Derek to try and find out

John (JMc) advised that the Aerial from Wheeldon House was removed about 3 months ago.

**13. Date and Time of next meeting:**

**1.30 - 3.00pm Wednesday 19 June 2019  
at Steel Grove**